

Summary of Administrative Review Board Proceedings for ISN 194

The Administrative Review Board was called to order.

The Detainee entered the proceedings.

The Presiding Officer announced the convening authority and purpose of the Administrative Review Board proceedings.

The Designated Military Officer (DMO) was sworn.

The Board Reporter, Translator, Assisting Military Officer (AMO) and Board Members were sworn.

The Presiding Officer asked the Detainee if he wished to make a statement under oath.

The Detainee declined taking the Muslim oath.

The Presiding Officer read the hearing instructions to the Detainee and confirmed that he understood.

Presiding Officer: I also want you to understand a very important point. We are not interrogators. Our only reason to be here is to determine your threat status, your intelligence value, and to recommend whether you should be detained here for another year, transferred to another country, or released. That is the reason the board is here. We are very pleased that you chose to come today because it makes the job easier for all of us.

The Assisting Military Officer presented the Notification of the Decision of an Administrative Review Board Form, Exhibit EC-A, to the Administrative Review Board.

The Assisting Military Officer presented the Enemy Combatant Election Form, Exhibit EC-B, to the Administrative Review Board.

The Assisting Military Officer read the AMO Comments from the Enemy Combatant Election Form, Exhibit EC-B, to the Administrative Review Board.

Assisting Military Officer: The detainee's ARB interview was conducted on 24 April 2006. After reviewing the ARB's purpose and procedures, the Arabic Unclassified Summary of Evidence was read to the detainee. When asked if he wanted to attend the ARB, present a written or oral statement, or have the AMO speak on his behalf, the detainee stated he wished to attend and have the AMO present a statement on his behalf. The detainee was cooperative and talkative during the interview. Copies of both the

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English and Arabic translated Unclassified Summary of Evidence were offered to the detainee; he took the Arabic translated copy with him.

The Designated Military Officer presented the Unclassified Summary of Evidence, Exhibit DMO-1, and the FBI Redaction Memorandum, DMO-2, the CITF Redaction Memorandum, DMO-3, and the Terrorist Organization Reference Guide, DMO-4, to the Administrative Review Board.

The Designated Military Officer stated that a copy of these exhibits had previously been distributed to the Assisting Military Officer and Detainee.

The Presiding Officer noted from the Enemy Combatant Election Form that the Detainee did not want to respond to each item of information from the Unclassified Summary as it was presented.

Detainee (through translator): This is correct because all I have said is already in the file. You can go to my file and read it.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], I will respect your wishes not to respond to these unclassified charges. Our DMO will read each one of the statements and it will be translated for you as it is read. I will pause and give you a chance, if you want, to say something relating to that statement. You do not have to respond if you do not wish. Before we start reading the charges, I want you to know that the board has reviewed your record and we understand that some of the things you said when you were first captured appear in these charges and we understand that that is not true. Do you understand what I am saying? If you wish, [ISN 194], you can just tell us whether something is true or not true when we read it. If that is all you want to say, that's okay.

The Designated Military Officer gave a brief description of the contents of the Unclassified Summary of Evidence, Exhibit DMO-1, to the Administrative Review Board to assist the Detainee with answering the statements.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee based his decision to go to Afghanistan on television and radio news reports as well as a fatwa issued by a Sheikh.

Detainee (through translator): No. The purpose of me leaving Libya was to go for Umrah in Saudi Arabia. That's where I heard about the new government in Afghanistan.

Presiding Officer: Very good. Umrah in Saudi Arabia is going to Mecca outside the Hajj season. Is that correct?

Detainee (through translator): Yes, that's correct. Why is Umrah now what we are talking about in this allegation?

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Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], you are actually clarifying it for us. Again, remember we understand that some of this information is inaccurate.

Detainee (*through translator*): You said that I left Libya by hearing the fatwa from a Sheikh and by what's going on in the television and the media.

Translator: I want to explain to him that this allegation does not say that you left Libya, all it says is that you went to Afghanistan. I need to clarify this.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], what it is really saying is that you were inspired to go to Afghanistan because of a fatwa issued by a Sheikh.

Detainee (*through translator*): No. I went because the Taliban government was Islamic and it accepted all the refugees.

Presiding Officer: I understand.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee did not tell his parents or friends about his trip. The detainee felt that they would worry that he would get killed conducting jihad in Afghanistan. Despite this fact, the detainee sold his business and took his life savings with him to Mecca, Saudi Arabia.

Detainee (*through translator*): This allegation has two points: One is true and the other is not. I went to Saudi Arabia in order to do the Umrah and I told my family. My parents are deceased.

Designated Military Officer: However, the detainee left Yemen and traveled to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia and then on to Mecca. The detainee stayed in Mecca and paid approximately 40,000 Yemen for the ticket.

Detainee (*through translator*): No.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], what this is really speaking to is whether you paid your own way to Saudi Arabia?

Detainee (*through translator*): I did not go to Yemen.

Presiding Officer: I understand you did not go to Yemen. You left Libya to go to Saudi Arabia. My question to you is, did you pay your own to go from Libya to Saudi Arabia?

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes.

Designated Military Officer: In Mecca, the detainee heard people talking about Afghanistan and jihad. The detainee heard that Afghanistan was the only place where the laws of God are being implemented. The sheikh talked about the necessity of jihad with the Taliban.

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Detainee (*through translator*): I heard that in Afghanistan that they were forming a government and I went, but I did not work with the Taliban.

Designated Military Officer: From Mecca, the detainee went from Jeddah to Karachi, Pakistan with a friend. The detainee and his friend paid for their own plane tickets, costing 3,000 Riyals each. The detainee carried 2,700 United States Dollars and 1,500 Saudi Riyals. The detainee stated that the money came from his business. The detainee did not maintain a bank account.

Detainee (*through translator*): There is some truth to this and there is also some that is not.

Presiding Officer: So just to help you [ISN 194], I understand you left Libya. You say you were concerned about persecution in Libya, so you left Libya to go to Saudi Arabia. So basically, what this infers for you [ISN 194] is that you took all of your money with you when you left Libya because you probably were not going to go back to Libya.

Detainee (*through translator*): I went to reside in Afghanistan.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee did not stay in Karachi very long. The detainee and his friend purchased tickets for 50 United States Dollars and went to Peshawar, Pakistan.

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes.

Designated Military Officer: An al Qaida and a Libyan Islamic Fighting Group facilitator was certain the detainee left the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group. The facilitator believed the detainee had a jihadist philosophy and wanted to die a martyr's death.

Detainee (*through translator*): No.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], before we read the next point, I just want to say something about it first: The next point just provides information about the Islamic Fighting Group and I do not expect you to say anything about it, however, if you want, feel free to do so.

Designated Military Officer: The Libyan Islamic Fighting Group emerged in 1995 among Libyans who had fought against Soviet forces in Afghanistan. The Libyan Islamic Fighting Group declared the government of Libyan leader, Muammar Qadhafi, un-Islamic and pledged to overthrow it. Some members of the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group maintain a strictly anti-Qadhafi focus and organize against Libyan Government interests, but others are aligned with Usama bin Laden's al Qaida organization or are active in the international Mujahedin network. The group was designated for asset freeze under E.O.13224 and U.N.S.C.R. 1333 in September 2001.

Detainee (*through translator*): What's the relation of this group that's from Libya with this point of the United Nation's Resolution?

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], I am no expert on this issue, but after the 9/11 attacks on the United States, the United Nations designated various terrorist organizations in order for banks not to provide any money to those organizations. The Libyan Islamic Fighting Group was one of these organizations.

Designated Military Officer: Sources say the detainee was in Afghanistan in approximately 1991. The detainee had undergone military training at the al Farouq and Salman al Farisi camps. The detainee participated in several Afghan battles, including Lukar and Qardiz, but mostly in the battle of Jalalabad. In 1991 the detainee joined the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group and might have been supporting the military committee.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], there are a lot of things in this statement so maybe if we just take it sentence-by-sentence and allow you to respond. The first point is, [ISN 194], were you in Afghanistan in 1991?

Detainee (*through translator*): No.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], did you have any training at al Farouq or the Salman al Farisi camps?

Detainee (*through translator*): No.

Presiding Officer: Did you participate in any fighting in Afghanistan including Lukar, Qardiz or Jalalabad?

Detainee (*through translator*): No.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], in 1991 did you join the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group?

Detainee (*through translator*): No.

Presiding Officer: Where were you in 1991?

Detainee (*through translator*): In Libya.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee was in the possession of a Casio model F-91W watch. This model has been used in bombings that have been linked to al Qaida and radical Islamic terrorist improvised explosive devices.

Detainee (*through translator*): Sir, I had the watch with me, but I never used it for what they are saying. These watches are in all the markets. They captured me and I had that watch on. Is anyone who wears a watch that's an electronic one, is he involved in making explosive devices?

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Presiding Officer: That is a good question [ISN 194]. Of course, not everyone who possessed that watch was involved in explosives. However, many al Qaida [members] who were familiar with explosives did possess that watch. [ISN 194], you do not have to respond to this, I just want you to understand why this is in the charges.

Designated Military Officer: A senior al Qaida operative identified the detainee as a member of the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group.

Detainee (*through translator*): That's not true.

Designated Military Officer: A senior al Qaida operative recognized the detainee. The operative said that the only time he met the detainee was in 2000 at the Kandahar airport camp in Afghanistan. The operative also added that the detainee was not at the camp, but simply, "sitting with the brothers." The operative said the detainee walked with a limp from a problem the detainee had when he was a baby, adding that the detainee was a simple person, who could not make explosives, and had bad security.

Detainee (*through translator*): It's not true about meeting the al Qaida operative in Kandahar.

Presiding Officer: It may help to read the whole statement because what is being said about you is that although you were seen at the Kandahar airport you were not training there, but simply with other people that were there. It also states you could not make explosives and you have bad security.

Detainee (*through translator*): That's not true.

Presiding Officer: I understand. The important question for us is that, [ISN 194], you say it is not true that you were at the Kandahar airport in Afghanistan in 2000?

Detainee (*through translator*): No. They captured me at the Kandahar airport in 2002.

Designated Military Officer: A senior al Qaida operative said the detainee was arrested with him in Tora Bora, Afghanistan in December 2001. The operative said that the detainee was handicapped due to a childhood illness, and as such, he was of no benefit to any of the fighting groups in Afghanistan. As a result of the detainee's condition, he lived off the charity of others. He said the detainee had no relationship with al Qaida or the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group. In late 2001, as the Arabs were evacuating Jalalabad, the detainee collected money from several of the Arabs in order to get married. The detainee said that when arrested, many of the brothers had 50-100 United States Dollars in their possession, however the detainee had 1,000 United States Dollars, so the U.S. military assumed he was very rich.

Presiding Officer: There is a lot in this particular statement, so it would be good to break this down into sections. I will go ahead and repeat those sections so that you can respond. [ISN 194], a senior al Qaida operative said that you were arrested with him in Tora Bora in December 2001.

Detainee (*through translator*): No.

Presiding Officer: Were you arrested in Tora Bora in 2001?

Detainee (*through translator*): No, in Pakistan.

Presiding Officer: This al Qaida operative also stated that you were handicapped due to a childhood illness and because of that, you were of no benefit to any of the fighting groups in Afghanistan. [ISN 194], it is not something you have to respond to other than telling us whether you fought with anybody in Afghanistan.

Detainee (*through translator*): No, I did not.

Presiding Officer: As a result of your condition you lived off the charity of others.

Detainee (*through translator*): No.

Presiding Officer: The operative also stated that you had no relationship with al Qaida or the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group.

Detainee (*through translator*): I did say that. It's true and I say it now. The senior al Qaida, that's my understanding.

Presiding Officer: This senior al Qaida operative is saying that you had no relationship with al Qaida or the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group.

Detainee (*through translator*): The points before about the senior al Qaida operative ...

Translator: I did point to number two in connections and associations and then he jumped and he said he doesn't have any relationship with any of those.

Presiding Officer: I understand, [ISN 194], that you are saying you have no relation with senior al Qaida personnel. I want you to understand that what we have is that somebody we know to be a senior al Qaida person is describing somebody who sounds very much like you. This person is saying that you were really not affiliated with al Qaida or the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group. The next things we are going to say is that it sounds like these are based on things that you have previously told us. In late 2001, as Arabs were evacuating Jalalabad, [ISN 194], you collected money from some of these Arabs in order for you to get married.

Detainee (*through translator*): No. I have my own money.

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Presiding Officer: When you were arrested, many of the brothers who were arrested with you had 50-100 U.S. Dollars in their possession. However you had 1,000 U.S. Dollars, so the U.S. military assumed you were a rich man. So my question to you is, did you have 1,000 U.S. Dollars when you were arrested?

Detainee (*through translator*): I had 1,800 Dollars.

Presiding Officer: Did you have all of this money because you were intending to get married?

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes.

Presiding Officer: The last point is, did you get this money because your brothers gave it to you in order for you to get married or was this money you had earned yourself?

Detainee (*through translator*): No, it was leftover from what I'd earned.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee lived in Jalalabad, Afghanistan, but traveled to Kabul, Afghanistan and Pakistan as a member of the Jamat-al-Tabligh for two years from 1999 to 2001.

Detainee (*through translator*): That's true. I was with the Jamat-al-Tabligh, but I was not a member.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee traveled and worked as a paid employee of the Jamat-al-Tabligh with an Islamic missionary group in Libya, Egypt, Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, and Afghanistan.

Detainee (*through translator*): That's not true.

Designated Military Officer: Jamat-al-Tabligh is a Pakistan based Islamic missionary organization used as a cover to mask travel and activities of terrorist, including members of al Qaida.

Presiding Officer: Before you respond to that, [ISN 194], I want you to understand that we know Jamat-al-Tabligh does do missionary work. However, the reason why we are concerned about it is that many terrorists use Jamat-al-Tabligh as a cover for their terrorist activities.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee stated he does not want to go back to Libya due to his association to the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group.

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes.

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Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], I would like to ask you a question about that. You have just told us that you do not want to go back to Libya because of your association with the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group, is that true?

Detainee (*through translator*): No, I did not say that.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], please tell us why you do not want to go back to Libya.

Detainee (*through translator*): Because of the oppression of the government. Anytime you are with a group or with some people, the government will accuse you of wanting to overthrow the government. If you are a Muslim, Islamic or non-Islamic, any person who was abroad and came back to Libya would be accused with this accusation. If you are in a Libyan opposition [group] that exists here in America, you cannot go back to Libya.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee said some brothers, whose identities he refused to reveal, helped him get a visa for Saudi Arabia and Pakistan from their respective consulates in Benghazi.

Detainee (*through translator*): I took the visa for Saudi Arabia and Pakistan.

Presiding Officer: Okay, [ISN 194], you got the visas from the consulates in Benghazi.

Detainee (*through translator*): I got the visa in Libya and I went on my own to Saudi Arabia.

Presiding Officer (*speaking to translator*): I do not quite understand the travel nuances so I will address you directly. So is he just trying to say that he got the visas from the Libyan embassy?

Translator: No, from the Saudi Arabian consulate in Benghazi in Libya, and he went to Saudi Arabia but he does not mention anything about these brothers that helped him.

Presiding Officer: So [ISN 194], what I just want to find out is, you got your visa to go to Saudi Arabia from the Saudi Arabian consulate in Benghazi and you got a visa to go to Pakistan from the Pakistani consulate in Benghazi. Is that true?

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes, this is true.

Designated Military Officer: When arrested the detainee had 1,800 United States Dollars, 1,500 Saudi Riyals, and an unknown amount of Afghan and Pakistan money in his possession. The detainee also had medicine, a spoon, and a watch he bought in the Jalalabad market.

Presiding Officer: What we are really trying to confirm is that you had 1,800 United States Dollars in your possession and some other Saudi, Afghan, and Pakistani money.

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Detainee (*through translator*): Yes, that's true.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee originally lied about his true name and nationality because he was afraid of being sent back to Libya.

Detainee (*through translator*): That's true.

Presiding Officer: Before the DMO reads this, [ISN 194], I do not think you have an artificial leg. I think you are just crippled with polio, is that correct?

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], I understand that what we are saying here is not right, because this says you have an artificial leg. I understand that is not correct.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee is handicapped with an artificial leg as a result of polio.

Detainee (*through translator*): I do have polio, but I don't have an artificial leg.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], how old were you when you got polio?

Detainee (*through translator*): Since I was a child. I can't remember the time, between two and three-years-old.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], do you ever remember not having crippled leg?

Detainee (*through translator*): No, I was little and since then I've had polio.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee denied having any knowledge of the attacks in the United States prior to their execution on 11 September 2001 and also denied knowledge of any rumors or plans of future attacks on the United States or United States interests.

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes, I do not know.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee was queried regarding any knowledge or planning of internal uprisings at the Guantanamo detention facility with negative results.

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes, correct.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], the next one is going to talk about you going to Yemen and I understand it's not Yemen, it's Libya.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee's plans were to go to a Majid, pray, do the Umrah, and return to Yemen. The detainee also thought about immigrating to Afghanistan, getting married, and settling down.

Detainee (*through translator*): This is true.

Translator: When I explained to him about going to Libya instead of Yemen, he was confused.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], I have a question for you just so I understand. Did you think you could return to Libya after you left Libya to go to Saudi Arabia, or did you think that you were leaving Libya for good?

Detainee (*through translator*): No, I left Libya and I wanted to reside in Saudi Arabia, Yemen, or Afghanistan.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee traveled to Afghanistan to teach the Koran and possibly meet a wife.

Detainee (*through translator*): This is not true because I can't read.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], you had told me before that you wanted to meet a wife in Afghanistan, is this correct?

Detainee (*through translator*): Maybe, maybe.

Designated Military Officer: When the detainee was living in Libya he considered himself an Islamist, but stated he did not belong to any religious groups that advocated the overthrow of the government and implementation of an Islamic state.

Detainee (*through translator*): Correct, correct, correct.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee advises that none of his material spoke of jihad or advocated any type of violence or rebellion.

Detainee (*through translator*): Correct.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee decided he wanted to get married, so he found an Afghan girl, whom he was supposed to marry after Ramadan.

Detainee (*through translator*): That's true.

Designated Military Officer: The detainee denied that he had ever fought or received any training on any type of weapons at any training camp.

Detainee (*through translator*): That's true.

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Designated Military Officer: About July 2001, the detainee was introduced to a woman who was 18 to 20 years old, and they were engaged. During his stay in Jalalabad, the source did not work and traveled two or three times a week to the Heart Shari Naw mosque in Kabul via taxi.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], there are two separate things in this charge, so we'll take the first one. In July 2001, [ISN 194], you were introduced to a woman who was about 18 to 20 years old and you became engaged to her, is that true?

Detainee (*through translator*): That's true.

Presiding Officer: You didn't work when you were in Jalalabad?

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes, true.

Presiding Officer: And you traveled to the Heart Shari Naw Mosque in Kabul about two to three times a week?

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes.

Presiding Officer: How were you paying for food and lodging? How were you paying for your living?

Detainee (*through translator*): I was staying in the mosque and there was a charity organization that helps people who want to memorize the Koran. This is how I was living.

The Designated Military Officer confirmed that he had no further unclassified information and requested a closed session to present classified information relevant to the disposition of the Detainee.

The Presiding Officer acknowledged the request.

The Presiding Officer opened the Administrative Review Board to the Detainee to present information with the assistance of the Assisting Military Officer.

The Assisting Military Officer read the detainee's comments from the Enemy Combatant Election Form, Exhibit EC-B. The Detainee concurred.

Detainee: I don't understand the difference between the tribunals and the ARB.

Assisting Military Officer: The CSRT determined you were an enemy combatant. The future ARB will examine if you continue to present a threat to the U.S. and its allies in the armed conflict against al Qaida and its supporters. This process affords you the opportunity to participate and to be heard. Any information you can provide to the board relating to this issue will be useful in assisting the board in making a decision. The

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United States officials will determine if there are other factors that could form the basis for continued detention.

Detainee: I want political asylum, what about asylum?

Assisting Military Officer: That statement is a high interest statement along with all the other statements you wish to present. If you attend the ARB, you will be able to discuss that comment, along with any others, personally with the board president.

Assisting Military Officer: Do you plan on attending the future ARB, present written statements, documents, or do you have oral statements to be presented on your behalf?

Detainee: Yes, I plan to attend, but I cannot read or write. I do have statements that I will summarize in regard to the information in the Unclassified Summary of Evidence. I left Libya because of the oppression against Muslims there, then went to Saudi Arabia where I stayed for 1-1 ½ months. Then I went to Pakistan, then to Afghanistan and resided there. They have all this information in my file. I have no letters. That's all I want to say to the board.

The Presiding Officer gave the detainee an opportunity to provide any additional statements or comments on his behalf.

Detainee (*through translator*): What's the final decision? To release or detain? If there is a final decision, then I can talk.

Presiding Officer: Unfortunately, there is no final decision. When this Board closes this afternoon, the board members will discuss your case. We will then make a recommendation that we will provide to somebody we call the Designated Civilian Official in Washington, D.C. Our recommendation goes to this person, and he is the one who actually makes the decision. It may take some time for him to make this decision.

Detainee (*through translator*): How long?

Presiding Officer: I honestly wish I could tell you how long. It may take weeks or it may take months. It probably took months for you to find out what the results from your first ARB were. I hope this decision does not take as long, however none of us in this room control that.

Detainee (*through translator*): It may take some weeks or some months, is that true?

Presiding Officer: That is true. It could be weeks or it could be months. I am not trying to play games with you. I honestly just don't know.

Detainee (*through translator*): I'm sitting here and I'm expecting to have a final answer and a final decision, so I can talk about my situation. If I don't have a final decision how

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can I talk about it if I want to have political asylum or be transferred or go to another country?

Presiding Officer: I can't change the fact that I can't tell you what the decision is at this moment. However, that should not stop you if you want to ask me about asylum. I will tell you what I can tell you about it. The fact that we cannot give you the decision now should not really have any bearing on whether you want to provide us any information. The information you provide us will help us make the recommendation in order to let the Designated Civilian Official make a decision. Do you wish to say anything to us?

Detainee (*through translator*): I don't have anything to say. I am waiting for the final decision.

Presiding Officer: [ISN 194], I will ask a question for you. "What about my political asylum request?" I want to make sure you understand how we respond to a political asylum requests. If the decision is for you to stay at Guantanamo, then there is no need for you to have political asylum because we are not returning you back to Libya. If the decision is to transfer you back to Libya or to release you to Libya, then we do have to address your request for political asylum. So, [ISN 194], you were correct a few minutes ago when you said that "I need to know what the decision is so I can understand about my political asylum." Do you understand?

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes, I understand.

The Assisting Military Officer had no questions for the Detainee.

The Designated Military Officer had no questions for the Detainee.

Administrative Review Board Member's questions:

Board Member: [ISN 194], you said that you were not a member of al Qaida. You also said you were not a member of the Taliban. I believe you also said you were not a member of the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group. Is that correct?

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes.

Board Member: I am somewhat confused because I understand that you said "Yes" when the statement was read that you that you did not want to go back to Libya due to your association with the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group?

Detainee (*through translator*): In Libya, anyone who dresses in traditional Muslim clothes or came from a foreign country like Afghanistan, any young man who dresses like a Muslim and goes to the mosque, they accuse him of being a member of the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group.

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Board Member: Okay, because you are Muslim and because you went to the mosque, you were believed to be a part of the group?

Detainee (*through translator*): No, they did not accuse me of that. I told you any person; any person, Muslim or non-muslim, who lived abroad that came, they believed he is trying to have a ...

Board Member: If you were released, you said that you would like to live either in Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, or Afghanistan.

Detainee (*through translator*): I prefer Saudi Arabia.

Board Member: If you lived in Saudi Arabia, what would you do? What are your plans?

Detainee (*through translator*): I would live like every other people live.

Board Member: For work?

Detainee (*through translator*): I would work like everyone in the commerce. It depends on what God gives me.

Presiding Officer: I remember that you said you were in Libya in 1991. When did you leave Libya to go to Saudi Arabia?

Detainee (*through translator*): 1999

Presiding Officer: How long were you in Saudi Arabia before you left to go to Afghanistan?

Detainee (*through translator*): For a short period.

Presiding Officer: One or two months?

Detainee (*through translator*): A short period.

Presiding Officer: You went to Pakistan and then to Afghanistan?

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes.

Presiding Officer: So you were in Afghanistan from 1999 until the end of Ramadan in 2001? I should say until you were captured at the end of Ramadan in 2001.

Translator: He said, "No I was in," and then he jumped and he said "Yes." "Yes, they captured me at the end Ramadan in 2001."

Detainee (*through translator*): Yes, in Afghanistan.

Presiding Officer: During the two years you were in Afghanistan, were you in Jalalabad the whole time or did you live in different places in Afghanistan?

Detainee (*through translator*): I moved from one place to another.

Presiding Officer: Can you give me an idea of the places that you lived in Afghanistan?

Detainee (*through translator*): It's a long story and the time is getting short. I have to pray. I don't want to talk about it.

Presiding Officer: When you lived in Afghanistan, did you work in Afghanistan or were you living from the charity you described for us earlier?

Detainee (*through translator*): I don't talk about that.

Board Member: Were you captured in Tora Bora or Kandahar?

Detainee (*through translator*): I will not talk.

The Presiding Officer read the post-Administrative Review Board instructions to the Detainee and adjourned the open session of the Administrative Review Board.

The Presiding Officer opened the classified portion of the session.

The Presiding Officer adjourned the classified portion of the session and the Administrative Review Board was closed for deliberation and voting.

AUTHENTICATION

I certify the material contained in this transcript is a true and accurate summary of the testimony given during the proceedings.



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